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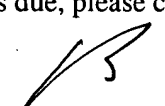
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

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## Foreign Applications

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Title

*1.5 Wheel for tire*

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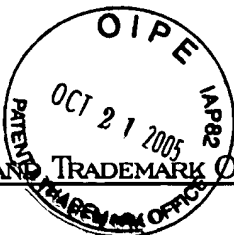
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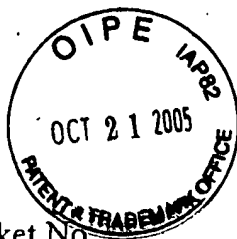
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(Insert Title) TIRE WHEEL

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